



MR. AND MRS. RICHARD HOLLISTER (l) of Torrance, accept an oil painting of the destroyer USS HOLLISTER on behalf of their aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hollister of Excelsior, Minnesota, parents of the three brothers for whom the ship is named. Making the presentation on behalf of the ship's crew is the ship's commanding officer, Commander G. H. Lowe, and damage controlman first class, Cecil Dixon.

## Make Plans For Giant Spring Home Festival

One of the finest home exhibits of the year—the L. A. Spring Home Festival of 1956—next year will go nearer the public with its presentation from February 24 through March 4 at the new, spacious and centrally located Livestock Exhibition Pavilion at Santa Ana Freeway and Atlantic Boulevard.

According to Nicholas M. Boila and Louis St. Pierre, who head the group of prominent business men and industrial leaders staging the event, this auditorium was selected because geographically it is located in the center of the Southern California area, the building is new and offers over 80,000 square feet of exhibition space and all freeways can be used by the public to take them right to the door. There is also ample parking space for over 10,000 cars.

The event will be by far one of the finest home exhibits ever presented in the Southern California area and will feature

everything for the home owner, plus many surprise new items and products which have never been on display before.

**Entertainment**  
In addition, a full hour of "name" entertainment will be highlighted nightly and at daily matinees. This will be the first time a full-scale musical and comedy revue has been presented at any event of this type. A giant stage has been constructed to give everyone in the building on "orchestra

seat" for the show. A "Miss Spring Home Festival" will be selected with one beauty from each town in the Southland competing and will reign over the event for the full ten days. The winner will also go away the best dressed girl in the area as she will be completely outfitted by the leading stores of the West. She will also spend a full all-expense paid week in Las Vegas as the guest of one of the most luxurious hotels there. Girls may apply by sending a photo to L. A. Spring Home Festival, 422 Guaranty Bldg., Hollywood

28, California. According to many of Southern California's leading citizens, the beautiful and new Livestock Exhibition Pavilion has rapidly become the new center for leading industrial shows and exhibitions. The 165 acre grounds and buildings are State owned and were financed and built from the state's share of Pari-mutuel racing funds. Also, being right on the Santa Ana Freeway will cut traffic congestion to a minimum and will make the site only a few minutes drive from any part of Southern California.

## New Program

James E. Cowden, a recent graduate of Serra high school, Gardena, has been accepted under the Army's "Reserve for You" program, to attend the Army airplane mechanic course at San Marcus, Texas. Cowden resides with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Cowden, 1529 W. 223rd st., Torrance. Under this new enlistment program a high school graduate may choose a technical course of his choice before enlistment.

## The Green Thumber

By LEWIS LORING

Three of the most difficult weeds in this area to control are Bermuda or Devil Grass, Nutgrass, and Sour Dock. Those of us who have suffered with sore ligaments and strained muscles in trying to eliminate these pests from our gardens, will be cheered to know that definite steps are being taken to ease our work, and to rid our yards of these troublesome plants.

### The Answer

The latest thing which affords very beneficial control is a water soluble fumigant called Vapam. This product is available from your Nursery or Garden Supply Dealer in one and five gallon amounts.

The one gallon size will effectively cover four hundred square feet of area to be treated, while the five gallon size will cover about two thousand. Cost of application will be about \$1.35 per 100 square feet.

I have used Vapam under the most trying conditions and am more than pleased with the results. In areas where the soil is inclined to be on the sandy side, the fumigant is even more effective.

### How Used

Being a water soluble fumigant, it is necessary to dilute Vapam with water and apply it to the area to be treated.

This can most effectively be done with a sprinkling can, and as soon as applied, it is necessary to apply water over the area. This seals the fumigant in and prevents its escape to the surrounding air. The treated area is allowed to "rest" for a period of about five days.

At this time the soil should be cultivated lightly to release the gas, and fourteen days after application the soil is ready for planting.

### Precautions

The product is easy to apply, but it is necessary to take some common sense precautions. Never use in close proximity to other plants that you want to save, avoid the run-off if the area is sloping, apply when there is air movement away from trees and shrubs. As in the case of all chemicals used in the garden today, do not handle carelessly.

In addition to the killing of weeds and weed seeds, Vapam will also do a very nice job in cleaning up nomate infestations, various types of fungi and bacterial diseases, as well as a large group of soil insects.

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## Hollisters Receive Oil Paintina

During ceremonies held Saturday aboard the destroyer USS Hollister, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hollister of Torrance, California accepted an oil painting of the ship on behalf of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Howard J. Hollister of Excelsior, Minnesota. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hollister are the parents of the three brothers for whom the ship is named. Last April when the

## Peanuts Make Profits For TK Kid's Day

A profit of \$621 was realized on the Kiwanis peanut sale, it was reported by Tommy Wilkes, chairman. The proceeds will go to the annual Kid's Day sponsored by the club.

Wilkes expressed special thanks to Girl Scout troop 1587 of Waleria. The girls put in 96 hours of work and sold 1000 bags of peanuts.

Members plan to buy some of the cases of peanuts left over to have on hand for the coming Halloween trick-or-treaters.

Harlan L. P. Wendell, manager of the public relations department of the DuPont company, gave a lecture at the last meeting on the subject "Progress Must Be Created."

Wendell was appointed public relations advisor to Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby in the U. S. department of Public Health and Welfare in 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Sommer, of 4538 Green Meadows, announce the birth of a son, Steven Elliott, weighing 6 pounds and 9 1/2 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Don F. Allen, of 21148 S. Broadwell Ave., announce the birth of a son, Scott Dra, weighing 8 pounds and 12 1/2 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. David J. Bosworth, of 23639 Susana Ave., announce the birth of a son, Dennis Scott, weighing 6 pounds and 8 ounces.

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